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President Isenberg of the Senate has received from Germany and has turned over to the proper officers of the Danysz virus designed to destroy rats, mice, mongrose and such small vermin. The purpose of the stuff, in this case, is to make war with the mongoose, that is doing such great damage in feeding upon bird's eggs and the like, but if the virus proces a success in and mice will likewise be entered upon. Accompanying the shipment was the following letter of directions for

"Contagious viri are microbe productions discover 1 by Mr. Danysz at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. These microbes cause a mortal disease in all small rodents such as rats, mice, and field mice, but are entirely harmless to all other animals as well as to man. They can therefore be handled and distributed without the slightest dan-

ger. "The Danysz viras' are prepared in grass tubes, and can be kept for two

the contents of the tubes are diluted in cold water, slightly salted (a teaspoonful of salt to 1 1-20 quart of water). In this solution are dipped small (1-4 inch) cubes of stale bread, which are placed in places frequented by the rodents.

"To remove the virus from the tubes, after having taken out the cotton stopper, fill the tube half full of Don't drug yourself with poisons for salt water, close the aperture of the headache and tired feeling when a tube with the thumb and shake well in pleasant draught of "Our Celebrated order to detach the gelatine from the glass, then pour the whole into any handy container. The gelatine conade, Root Beer, Orange Cider and all tained in the tube is not soluble in kinds of aerated drinks are the best water, it must therefore be mixed with the water by hand (this operation of-ARCTIC SODA WORKS. | fers no danger whatever). A tube once opened, the contents must be used the same day.

"To destroy small field mice, use two tubes of Virus No. 1 to a little over one quart of salt water (for 2 1-2 acres from 6 to 10 tubes are neces-

"For house mice and large field mice, 5 tubes of No. 1 Virus to about one quart of salt water.

to about half a quart of salt water. "In cases where several kinds of ways use the strongest virus and the most concentrated solutions.

"Thus, if rats and mice are to be destroyed at the same time, use 5 tubes of Virus No. 2 to half a quart

"Bait should be prepared in the places infested with rats.

bait has been distributed. "A single operation is not always sufficient to obtain a complete disappearance of rats. In cases in which it is found that the virus has not effected a total destruction, it will be necessary to repeat the operation a fortnight after the first one.

"The virus cannot be kept longer than two months from date of preparation; it must be kept in a dark place "Only the virus sold by authorized agents is guaranteed."

Big Price for Burns' Bible.

It is reported that Andrew Carnegie commissioned his London agent to bid up to \$5,000 for the Burns Bible, which was sold there recently. It is an authentic volume, containing entries regarding the birth of the poet's chiliren. It sold for \$7,800, Mr. Quaritch, the London dealer, being the purchaser. In talking about the handsome figure realized, Lord Rosebery remarked, quaintly: "Burns was not exactly a saint, but the sale of this most interesting volume does not seem to have aroused any the less enthusiasm on that account."

North Weymouth, Mass.

HIGH PRICE OF EGGS.

One Specimen Bought for One Dollar Sixty Years Ago Recently Sold at Auction for \$1,500.

In the eyes of a boy who collects birds' eggs there is no object so precious and so beautiful, perhaps, as a modest looking white shell touched with brown \$ spots and proven to be that of a great auk or garefowl. Two hundred years ago to people who lived along the rocky coast of Maine, or up in the Scotch islands, these eggs, and the ungainly mother auk who laid them, were not unusual sights, for at that time great auks were plentiful enough in those regions. and collectors of bird's eggs were few and far between.

Nowadays, however, the person who says he or she has seen a great auk alive is likely to have their veracity doubted, while anyone who possesses an egg laid government a number of tubes of by this big sea fowl is considered a very lucky individual indeed. Fifty years ago a few seafaring men shot great auks in the cold seas of northern Europe. Finally, about 1821, the last one positively seen was captured, and today its stuffed body is in the British museum, but for 30 years at least not a single great auk has been taken, and in consequence the few remaining eggs of application, a cumpa ga against rats these birds have, year by year, become more and more precious. Seventy-five years since, a great auk's

egg at auction would fetch about \$100, and the heads of museums became very eager to secure good specimens, but as only about 70 eggs remained in all Europe their price began to go steadily up. In the year 1830, or thereabouts, an Englishman, a great student of natural history, and the possessor of quite an elaborate private museum, bought some ◊ birds' eggs of a fisherman's wife on the French coast. Among the seamew and led shell, easily recognized as that of a and preserved on gelose contended in great auk. He paid only a dollar for the perfect specimen, took it to London, and in course of time it was sold for "To make use of these microbes, \$105. Four years ago the same egg



THE AUK AND ITS EGG.

was put up at auction in London, and a "For rats, 5 tubes of Virus No. 2 wealthy gentleman did not hesitate to pay \$1,500 for the perfect shell. A damaged egg at auction brought

rodents have to be destroyed in the \$915, while an auk's skin is worth \$1,800. same place and at the same time, al- In all only 72 skins of this bird remain, nine skeletons and a few loose bones. The Museum of Natural History in New York city possesses a handsome stuffed skin, but only two of the valuable eggs are owned in America.

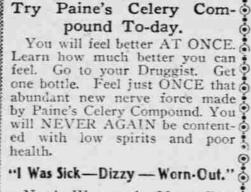
So great, however, is the interest in evening and immediately placed in the auk eggs that the museums have plaster casts of them, made with the greatest "The result of the treatment will care from the finest egg in Europe, exonly be apparent a fortnight after the hibited in the museum of Liverpool. This shell is not only spotted, but prettily streaked in brown on its creamy surface, and its value is estimated as high as \$2,000.

In Leipsic, in Geneva, London and Paris, great auk eggs are kept in museums, and one of the eggs that has come to America is owned in Philadelphia. So great, indeed, is the interest felt by students of natural history in this big sea bird that has become extinct in our century, that books have been filled with its history. When Nansen set out on his polar expedition a sharp lookout was kept for the great auk, since there are persons who believe that a few lonely specimens still exist somewhere up in the Arctic circle, and that keen eyes can still find its eggs, worth so many times their weight in gold .- Chicago Inter Ocean.

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### THE COUNTY ACT

Editor Advertiser: That there has been a demand by a portion of the people of the Islands for a form of government in which the masses would have more to say about the manner in which they should be governed is admitted. Those opposed to a change attempt to sneer at the proposition and ascribe ulterior motives to the abbettors of a change' and advance such arguments against the County Act as "a useless multiplying of offices," "an assured increase in taxes," "a confusing of the people by frequency of elections," "a certainty of the offices falling into the hands of irresponsible and unscrupulous men bent on grafting," etc., etc.

Not one of those who have read the County Act as passed has given one tangible reason why the Act is invalid. May I presume to attempt to give one or two reasons which appeal to me after a careful reading of the Act in connection with the Organic Act?

In a republic, thwart it as you will, the majority must eventually govern. In the older part of our country county government works well, but largely for the reason that the people have been educated up to it. It is said that our government is a "government of the people, by the people, and for the people."

Let us analyse this sentence. A "government of the people" is a governing of the people, not exactly the people's government as many read it. The people relinquish part of their natural rights for the benefit of the community.

A "government by the people" implies that by their chosen representatives they do their own law making, and governing, and it is essential that they elect their own executive and judicial officers, and is antagonistic to any appointing of the same by any extraneous

A "government for the people" implies that it is a governing of the people, by themselves, and for the benefit of each individual. The prime essential therefore is that they elect the most petty C. B. Reynolds & Co.

Any pseudo County Act, which would provide, for instance, for the appointing of assessors and judges, is so absurd that it is apparent such provision would emasculate the attempted County Act. In any republican form of government the people assess themselves and levy the required taxes or it is no true government by the people. The people must elect their legislative, judicial and

executive officers from amongst themselves.

In a conquered country the conqueror imposes such form of government as he chooses, the inhabitants being compelled to submit. Should he choose to grant them a modicum of liberty they are grateful, for he could deprive them even of the governing of the little communes which aggregate the nation. We are permitted by the Organic Act to create counties, town and municipal municipalities, but as heretofore said the prime essential of any May 1, 1905. J. H. TOWNSEND. such integral part of the Territory is the power to assess and levy taxes. The County Act as passed deprives us of this right and places it in the hands of an extraneous power and to that extent is contrary to the spirit of the Constitution of the United States.

There is no particular objection to the appointing of judges of courts of appeal by the general government especially as that power proposes to pay the salaries of its appointees, but it is an nherent right which the Teutonic race has maintained from time immemorial to elect their petty judges and to assess themselves for local salaries and improvements.

A particular faux pas which has been called to my attention s an attempted amendment to the County Act denominated Act

Section I of said Act sets out that fifty per centum of the total amount of poll and school taxes collected in each County shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Territory of Hawaii to the Treasurer of such County. What will the County authorities do with this school tax? They have no power over it, as the power controlling and Liquors t is in the Board of Education. ' No county has anything to do with educational matters. We know that in other places the counties elect their school superintendents and they place before the supervisors the amounts in their judgments sufficient to carry on the schools and the supervisors consider these figures when evying the taxes.

This locking up of one-half of the school taxes should of itself be sufficient to emasculate the County Act.

It may be that the Act proposed by the Commissioners, had it It may be that the Act proposed by the Commissioners, had it not been tampered with by the legislature, would have been flawless, but we are considering the Act as passed.

There are other points which I could mention but surely these are sufficient to condemn the Act.

JAS. W. GIRVIN.

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